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**SUBJECT:**

Multiple Vulnerabilities in Adobe Flash Player and Adobe AIR Could Allow Remote Code Execution (APSB14-18)

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Multiple vulnerabilities have been discovered in Adobe Flash Player and Adobe AIR. Adobe Flash Player is a widely distributed multimedia and application player used to enhance the user experience when visiting web pages or reading email messages. Adobe AIR is a cross platform runtime used for developing Internet applications that run outside of a browser.

Successful exploitation could result in an attacker compromising data security, potentially allowing access to confidential data, or could compromise processing resources in a user's computer. Failed exploit attempts will likely cause denial-of-service conditions.

**THREAT INTELLIGENCE**

There are currently no reports of these vulnerabilities being exploited in the wild.

**SYSTEM AFFECTED:**

Adobe Flash Player 14.0.0.145 and earlier versions for Windows and Macintosh  
Adobe Flash Player 11.2.202.394 and earlier versions for Linux  
Adobe AIR 14.0.0.110 and earlier versions for Windows and Macintosh  
Adobe AIR 14.0.0.137 SDK and earlier versions  
Adobe AIR 14.0.0.137 SDK & Compiler and earlier versions  
Adobe AIR 14.0.0.137 and earlier versions for Android

**RISK:**

**Government:**

Large and medium government entities: **High**  
Small government entities: **High**

**Businesses:**

Large and medium business entities: **High**  
Small business entities: **High**

**Home users: High**

**TECHNICAL SUMMARY:**

Adobe Flash Player is prone to multiple vulnerabilities that could allow for remote code execution. These vulnerabilities are as follows:

- A use-after-free vulnerability that could lead to code execution (CVE-2014-0538).
- A security bypass vulnerability (CVE-2014-0541).
- Multiple memory leakage vulnerability that could be used to bypass memory address randomization (CVE-2014-0540, CVE-2014-0542, CVE-2014-0543, CVE-2014-0544, CVE-2014-0545).

Successful exploitation of these vulnerabilities could result in an attacker gaining the same privileges as the logged on user. Depending on the privileges associated with the user, an attacker could then install programs; view, change, or delete data; or create new accounts with full user access.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The following actions should be taken:

- Install the updates provided by Adobe immediately after appropriate testing.
- Remind users not to visit untrusted websites or follow links provided by unknown or untrusted sources.
- Do not open email attachments from unknown or untrusted sources.
- Limit user account privileges to those required only.

**REFERENCES:**

**Adobe:**

<http://helpx.adobe.com/security/products/flash-player/apsb14-18.html>

**Security Focus:**

<http://www.securityfocus.com/bid/69190>

<http://www.securityfocus.com/bid/69191>

<http://www.securityfocus.com/bid/69192>

<http://www.securityfocus.com/bid/69194>

<http://www.securityfocus.com/bid/69195>

<http://www.securityfocus.com/bid/69196>

<http://www.securityfocus.com/bid/69197>

**CVE:**

<http://www.cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2014-0538>

<http://www.cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2014-0541>

<http://www.cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2014-0540>

<http://www.cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2014-0542>

<http://www.cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2014-0543>

<http://www.cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2014-0544>

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